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Docket No.: 041-1972A

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TC 2700 MAIL ROOM

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Continuation Application of :

Ryota TSUKIDATE et al :

Serial No. 09/599,552 :

Group Art Unit: 2711

Filed: June 23, 2000 :

Examiner:

For: DIGITAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM USING VIRTUAL CHANNELS

**FURTHER PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please further amend the above identified application  
as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

✓ ✓ ✓  
Please cancel claims 2 and 9 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the remaining claims as follows.

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1 (Twice Amended). A digital broadcasting system capable of causing one  
of physical channels selected by a broadcaster to be received as one of the  
channels available to users; the system comprising:

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